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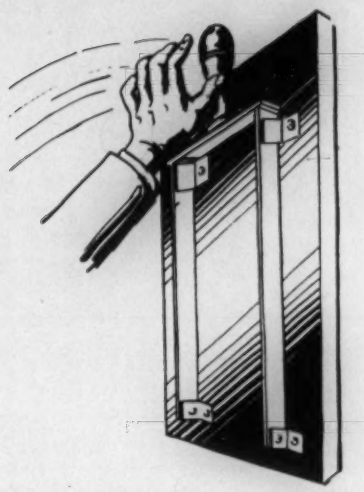
L. O. WHITE, president of the Oregon Christian Missionary Convention, here discusses plans with leaders at the Planning Retreat held at Menucha on the Columbia River. Others are (left) Orville Mick, minister of the First Christian Church at Dallas, Inspirational Speaker for the retreat; and (right) Charles Addleman, Executive Secretary.

A PORTION of the Tuesday evening group at the presentation of the Inspiration Message by Orville Mick.



LET'S CLOSE THE SWITCH!

EIGHT NEW CHURCHES AUTHORIZED:

At the Oregon Christian Missionary Convention Board Meeting September 29,

One in each geographical district.

Each district to select its own site.

To start as soon as sites are selected, plans completed, **AND** SUFFICIENT CHURCHES ADOPT "CLOSE THE SWITCH" PROGRAM by which these churches can be built.

FULL TIME STATE EVANGELIST:

To be called January 1956, by action of the State Board on September 30.

Oregon is declared a STRATEGIC MISSION FIELD. Your church can help convert Oregon by adopting "LET'S CLOSE THE SWITCH". Write the State Office today; say, "Come, and explain everything to us."

WELCOME:

To Lowell, Springfield, and St. Helens, who have adopted the "Let's Close the Switch" program.

Letter from State Secretary emphasizes that . . .

One-Fourth of State Convention Budget Goes Toward Establishing New Churches

Dear Reader of the Oregon Christian:

One of the most difficult phases of a church program to get people to understand, whether it be at the local church level, the state, or the national, is the adopted budget under which we are called to work. Since we have persons in this state having difficulty understanding our budget as presented by our state board to our State Convention at its business session at Turner, I am taking this opportunity to inform you. Remember that this budget was adopted by the State Convention with no opposing votes, and that is saying a lot when you remember our last convention business sessions. When a budget is adopted, then we are honor bound to honor the convention directive and carry it out.

Some have complained there is little or nothing in the budget for establishing new churches. Now, one of the items that goes into establishing a new church is property, or a place to meet. You will find an item of $3,000, or $250 per month payments on our obligation on the Westside property at Roseburg and $840, or $70 per month payments on our obligation on the Cedar Hills property. You will also note an additional $3,000 for Cedar Hills if a loan was to be completed for $25,000 with the Board of Church Extension. Since State Convention, a different plan is in the process of being worked out about this loan, which will be reported later.

Furthermore you will note an amount in the budget referring to debt retirement. Part of this debt retirement is for establishing new churches. When the property at Cedar Hills and Roseburg was contracted for, we did not have sufficient money on hand to make the necessary down payments. Therefore, the board authorized the borrowing of funds from individuals and signing notes for the same. At the time when this year's budget was adopted, there was an item on our books of $3,200 on Westside property and $1,100 on the Cedar Hills property. **Remember this is money due on establishing new churches.**

LARGE SUM FOR NEW CHURCHES

In addition to this there is the item of $5,000 for evangelism through new church support. This is for the purpose of helping to provide pastoral leadership for these new churches we are in the process of establishing. Now when you add your $5,000, your $3,000, your $840, your $3,-200, and your $1,100, it totals $13,140, or one fourth of the adopted budget.

THEN, IF YOU ADD THE EXTRA $3,000 INCLUDED FOR PAYMENTS ON A LOAN HELPING THE CEDAR HILLS CHURCH YOU HAVE OVER ONE FOURTH OF THE BUDGET.

Those who say we should include more for establishing new churches have a wide field here, and if they will give only by way of designated funds, the door is wide open. We are not in business as a state organization to act like children with new toys—that is, giving to new work for a few months and then casting it aside for something new. **We operate the Oregon Christian Missionary Convention according to the rules of Christian integrity and complete our responsibility with a newly established church before we leave it on its own.**

We know this is the policy most of our churches in the state want us to follow. We are Christ's representatives and endeavor to operate the state organization accordingly.

I have mailed letters to every pastor and chairman of boards in the state endeavoring to work out my schedule so as to meet with each church or group of churches where we can discuss any question concerning our total State Missionary program. It will be an endeavor to get back to the grass roots of our church life. Watch for your own local church, or area meeting.

Chas. H. Addleman

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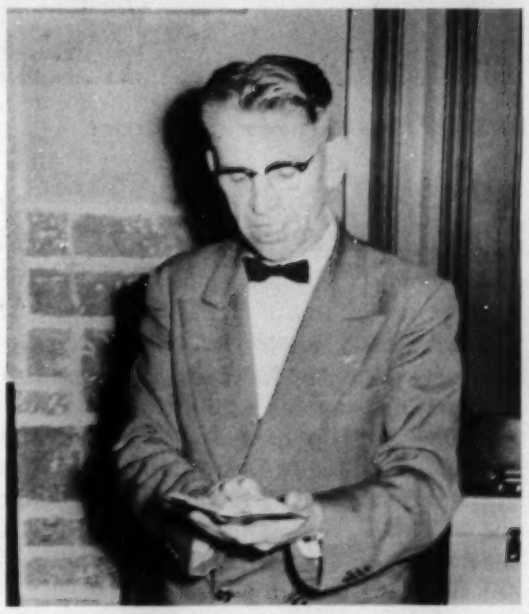
OREGON CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY CONVENTION BUDGET — 1955 - 56

PRESENT ADMINISTRATION AND PROGRAM

Staff Salaries:		
Executive Secretary	$5000.00	
Director of Christian Education	4500.00	
Office Secretary	3000.00	
Bookkeeper	1200.00	
Extra help	600.00	
Oregon Christian editor	600.00	
Turner Grounds caretaker	600.00	
	15,500.00	15,500.00
Pension Fund: Secretary & Director	1400.00	
Social Security: Other staff members	120.00	
Travel and Field Program: Executive Secretary and Director	3300.00	
Board, Commission & Committees Exp.	2300.00	
Office:		
Rent	1020.00	
Phone	360.00	
Supplies	1200.00	
	9,700.00	9,700.00
Oregon Christian	3900.00	
Turner Grounds & Convention	2400.00	
Swander Pension	480.00	
Oregon Council of Churches:		
Migrant Work	50.00	
Study and Survey	150.00	
Dues and fees, Yearbook, Nat'l. Assoc. of State Secretaries, Home & State Missions Planning Council, Council of Agencies	300.00	
Miscellaneous	300.00	
	7,580.00	7,580.00
Property Obligations:		
Westside Roseburg	3000.00	
Cedar Hills	3840.00	
	6,840.00	6,840.00
Office Equipment:		
Dictaphone & Transcriber	500.00	500.00
		40,120.00
To retire present indebtedness	7800.00	
Evangelism & new church help	5000.00	
	12,800.00	12,800.00
Total Current Budget		52,920.00

Productive Planning Retreat Held at Menucha

The Planning Retreat at Menucha was both pleasant and productive, according to reports of the returning participants. The pictures on the cover and elsewhere in in this issue illustrate some of the activities and picture some of the delegates. The snaps were taken by Robert Mulkey, associate minister at Kern Park Christian Church.



ORVILLE MICK, Inspiration Speaker for the Planning Retreat at Menucha.

THE MAIN ENTRANCE to Wright Hall at Menucha.

CONVENTION PROGRAM SESSION: (left to right) Len Fishback, Edna Burke, Ed Dewees, and Dorsey Dent.

Prof. Lawrence M. Bixler

CROSS CAMPUS view, Northwest Christian College.

Northwest Christian College

—By Ross J. Griffeth

Prof. Lawrence M. Bixler, who gave a series of lectures for the Montana State Convention last spring, has been invited to bring a series of lectures on the Bible at the South Idaho State Convention next spring. Prof. Bixler, in addition to teaching at N.C.C., and taking some class work at the University of Oregon, is pastor of the Creswell Church of Christ.

Prof. William J. Richardson is serving the church at Sumner, doing graduate work at the University of Oregon and carrying his full teaching schedule at N.C.C.

STUDENT OFFICERS

Student Body officers for the year at N.C.C. are John Ihle, Gene Bates, Christine Siefke and Marvin Eckfeldt. These officers, together with other members of the Student Council, have been busy at many projects. The school annual, The Crusader, is being arranged and will be up to the highest standards for a school the size of N.C.C.

N.C.C. STUDENT BODY OFFICERS: Left to right, John Ihle, President; Gene Bates, Vice President; Christine Siefke, Secretary; Marvin Eckfeldt, Treasurer.

For the third year, Dean Wm. Siefke is heading a committee to arrange for elders and other leaders from churches whose pastors are N.C.C. students, to meet with these student-pastors and with faculty members, to discuss the plans and programs which will be mutually beneficial. Date for the meeting is November 26. Special invitations will be sent to those concerned.

Crowded conditions in the Library still present problems to Northwest Christian College and these problems can only be solved properly by the erection of the projected building. Plans are all prepared and only await the funds to make possible a proper start. Every dollar received advances the time when the building can be erected.

ROBERTSON MEMORIAL

Marie Robertson, an active member of the Christian Church at Springfield, requested before her death that, instead of flowers, those who wished to do something in memory of her might contribute to a memorial fund for the training of Christian workers at Northwest Christian College. Mrs. Robertson was well and widely known and greatly loved. Many gifts have been received by the College which are given in her memory. Thus she continues to live in the active services of the young people who are trained at N.C.C. as well as in her eternal home.

CREDIT FOR CONTRIBUTIONS

The best of anything is expensive. This is true of education. At Northwest Christian College we will not be content with less than the best, up to the limit of our abilities and resources. The College will need every bit of financial help that the churches can give this year in order to maintain its program of pay-as-you-go.

It is well to remember that Northwest Christian College, and most other institutions of higher learning of our communion, do not share in offerings made to Unified Promotion. If you wish to contribute to Northwest Christian College, send your contribution to the College, either by way of your church treasurer or as a direct contribution. Your home church will be credited on the records for your gift.

Arthur C. Bates Passes Away in Salem

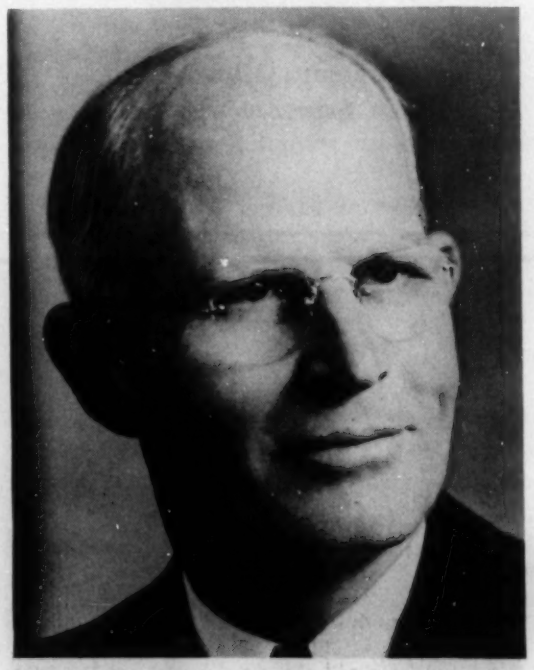
Rev. Arthur C. Bates, retired Christian minister, died Wednesday, October 12, in a Salem hospital, following a short illness.

He and Mrs. Bates had lived in Salem since his retirement a year ago. He served at the Christian Church at Smithfield prior to moving to Mill City, where he built the church in 1925. He then went to Klamath Falls and eight years ago moved to Silverton. For three years he served as state evangelist. Since his retirement Rev. Bates has been a member of the First Christian Church in Salem.

He leaves his wife, Mrs. Fern Bates, Salem; one son, Arthur Harold Bates, Japan; daughter, Mrs. Iris Stephens, Klamath Falls; stepson, Marvin Bailey, Redding, Calif.; two half-brothers, E. L. Landers, Salem, and Loma F. Field, Newberg, and four grandchildren.

Funeral services were held on Monday afternoon, October 17, in the First Christian Church of Salem. They were conducted by the pastor, Wayne Greene, assisted by C. F. Swander, former State Secretary of the Oregon Christian Missionary Convention. Interment was made in the Belcrest Cemetery of Salem.

Arthur C. Bates



THE FIFTIETH anniversary celebration at Hood River's First Christian Church brought the above men to the platform: (left to right) Don Ross, present minister; George E. Williams, former minister 47 years ago; Ervin F. Leake of Vernonia, former minister at Hood River, 1937-50; and Charles Addleman, State Secretary, who gave the message of consecration and challenge for the future.

Hood River Observes 50th Anniversary

The First Christian Church of Hood River observed its fiftieth anniversary, October 9, with a special program. Features of the observance were a closing assembly of the Church School hour in honor of the ministry and presenting the "Honored Minister" pin to W. O. Livingstone; music by the N.C.C. Quartet; the anniversary sermon by George E. Williams, now of Turner Memorial Home; a ham dinner; review of fifty years of history; and the consecration sermon by Charles H. Addleman.

Mr. Livingstone received the "Honored Minister" pin at his home, where he was convalescing from a recent appendectomy. He has served Christian Churches in Waverly and Kankakee, Illinois; Ottumwa and Martell, Iowa; Marion, Kansas; and Heppner, Hood River, Portland (Montavilla), Silverton, and Vernonia, Oregon. When health conditions forced him to retire from the active ministry, he returned to Hood River and became teacher of the Living Stone (adult) Bible Class. At the age of 82 Mr. Livingstone took up oil painting as a hobby.

Events of the anniversary celebration were recorded in a program booklet, including a brief history of the church.

DONALD ROSS, minister at Hood River, presents "Honored Minister" pin to W. O. Livingstone in honor of his many years of service as a minister of the Disciples of Christ. Charles Addleman, State Secretary, witnesses the presentation and stands by to offer congratulations. The painting on the wall is one of Mr. Livingstone's latest productions—he is now 85 years old.

BIRTHDAY CARDS FOR CHILDREN NOW AVAILABLE

The Christian Board of Publications has just released a series of Birthday Cards for Children as a result of the increasing demand for birthday greetings with a Christian emphasis. Illustrations are by Janet Smalley, noted children's artist. The birthday cards, lithographed in combinations of black, salmon and blue, show Jesus at approximately the age of the child receiving the greeting and carry appropriate biblical quotations.

IMPORTANT DATES:

November 11-12: Age-Level Planning Retreat at Menucha.

" 25-26: World Fellowship Youth Meets: Medford, Eugene, Portland, Redmond.

" 20: Thanksgiving Sunday: Special offering for State Missions Christian Education.

c. y. f. corner

ATTEND INTERNATIONAL C.Y.F. COMMISSION

Jim Johnson, state C.Y.F. president, and Sandra Gray, state secretary, attended the International C.Y.F. Commission at Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana, August 22-26. They accompanied the Washington group attending Commission. International C.Y.F. Commission is the planning body of young people in the United States and Canada. Jim served on the nominating committee. The theme for the year and plans for the year are developed by these youth from all over the nation.

YOUTH GIVING TO C.W.F.F.

The Christian World Friendship Fund, youth's own support of missions, Christian Education and other causes has as its national goal this year $125,000. Our state goal is $1100. Each youth group is invited to announce its C.W.F.F. goal at the World Fellowship Youth Meets.

YOUTH MEETS

Christian Missions in a Revolutionary World is the emphasis in the World Fellowship Youth Meets this year, to be held Nov. 25-26, Thanksgiving weekend. Films, games, banquet, discussions and worship bring youth a glimpse of their church in many lands. Meets are designed to help youth in every church to plan misssionary activities for their local group.

Each youth group will present its most interesting missionary activities of the year and announce its Christian World Friendship Fund goal. There will be separate sessions for intermediates, seniors, and adult workers with youth.

Adults in your church may offer to arrange transportation and encourage youth to attend the Meet in your district:
to attend the Meet in your district on November 25-26:

Town	Director
Medford, First	W. C. Piper
Eugene, First	Jim Edwards
Portland, First	Elby Boosinger
Redmond, First	Dick Merriman

FROM THE DIRECTOR OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

My friends — co-workers in building the Kingdom of God — it is a privilege and joy to write these first words of greeting to all of you. May I express my deep appreciation for your confidence in me, and ask your prayers on my behalf.

Christian Education is important! It was important to our Lord, whom we have called the Master Teacher. He found it of infinite importance that children, boys and girls, youth and adults should know and love God. It is our rare privilege to help in that process—that all persons may grow in Christ-likeness.

Many devoted and skilled persons have in the years that are gone labored to "build up the body of Christ," and much significant educational work has been done. The Education Commission, together with my friend and predecessor, Walter Lantz, has carried on a splendid program. I count it a privilege to work with Mr. Charles Addleman, our executive secretary; with Don Payne, chairman of the Education Commission; with Mr. L. O. White, president of the state board; with members of the Education Commission and its committees, as well as with the pastors and other staff persons, and you folk in the congregations of the state. Will you call on me that I may be of real service to all of you in the program of Christian Education?

As I write this, I have spent two weeks in the office — learning the routine (capably "broken in" by Mary Jane Nesby and Mrs. A. M. Crewse — our efficient office personnel) and beginning to orient myself to the task.

May God bless our work together.

Loma Mae Jones

IN A RECENT CONTEST to raise funds for a motion picture projector, the junior high department at The Dalles brought in $126, the largest sum contributed. Shown here are Linda Tharldson and Nathan Francis accepting the award from the visual aids director, Mrs. Elmer Swett. The picture has a built-in three-way light.

THE CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS OF CHURCHES PROVIDE AN IMPORTANT PORTION OF THE YEAR'S OPERATING COSTS OF THE NBA HOMES

GET A LIFT BY GIVING A LIFT to "YOUR OTHER FAMILY" of nearly 1,400 dependent children and aging folk—

1. By regular and constant financial support on the part of churches, church schools, adult classes, children's departments, Christian women, men, and youth fellowships, and other groups.
2. By a personal and individual gift to support the "Bread and Butter" Fund.
3. By sending food and clothing (not a substitute for money) to help supply daily needs of the NBA Homes. These help to keep budgets lower.
4. By sponsoring a child or an aged person.
5. By providing special funds for college and specialized training for worthy children.
6. Through wills, annuities, insurance policies, memorial gifts, life estate gifts, and outright designated gifts.
7. By your prayers and good wishes and visitation to your Area Homes.

Northwestern Christian Home, 3400 S. W. 103rd Ave. Beaverton, Oregon

The Ministry of the NBA Homes is determined by the way the churches respond. The Homes serve the churches' needy to capacity. Most of the Homes have increased their service. INCREASED SERVICES REQUIRE INCREASED SUPPORT. A basic part of the Long Range Program is a 10% increase per year in Offerings. Get a lift by lifting your CHRISTMAS OFFERING FOR BENEVOLENCE 10% or more over last year's Offering!!

All funds should be sent to the NBA Homes, or to —
THE NATIONAL BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION OF THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH
16th Floor, Landreth Building St. Louis 2, Missouri

ALL MATERIAL GIFTS SHOULD BE SENT **DIRECT** TO THE NBA HOMES.

FINANCIAL REPORT — September 1955

DESIGNATED CONTRIBUTIONS

From Portland First Church, for Cedar Hills	$200.00
From Milton-Freewater, for John Day	24.01
From Lexington, for John Day	20.00
From Portland St. Johns, for John Day	58.94
From Dallas, for Garden Road	25.00
	$327.95

AN INTERESTING COMPARISON

Income	July, August, Sept. 1953	July, August, Sept. 1954	July, August, Sept., 1955
From:			
Churches	3,147.11	3,944.08	5,466.55
Church Schools	114.65	129.58	154.95
Womens Groups	158.87	41.27	
Individuals	321.00	206.15	
Miscellaneous		48.00	97.64
	$3,741.63	$ 4,369.08	$ 5,719.14

FINANCIAL REPORT OF OREGON CHRISTIAN MISSIONARY CONVENTION

September, 1955

ADMINISTRATIVE ACCOUNT

Income

From churches		2619.39
From church Bible schools		154.95
From women's organizations		0.00
From individuals		0.00
		2774.34
Miscellaneous		0.00
Book sales		0.00
Film rentals		0.00
Turner grounds		0.00
Turner Convention		0.00
Oregon Christian:		
Subscriptions	53.00	
Ad space	347.50	
		400.50
UCMS (contributions to Educational Program)		0.00
Total		400.50
Grand Total		3174.84

Disbursements

Salaries:	
Chas. Addleman	416.67
Office Secretary	250.00
Bookkeeper	190.00
Extra secretarial help	19.00
	875.67
Pension fund	95.00
Swander pension	40.00
Office rent	85.00
Office supplies	95.63
Telephone	0.00
Interest:	
Roseburg, Westside mortgage	113.47
Cedar Hills	15.88
Individuals (W. Casteel)	12.57
Postage	59.22
State Board expense	337.52
Field expense (Addleman)	51.89
Turner grounds expense:	
Water & electricity	32.71
Miscellaneous	2.99
Oil	15.63
Piano rent and drayage	10.00
Plumbing repairs	15.28
Caretaker	50.00
Turner Convention 1955:	
Miscellaneous	7.50
Oil	15.63
Piano rent and drayage	10.00
Electricity	29.28
Oregon Christian:	
Miscellaneous	5.27
Salary - Editor	50.00
Publication costs	282.50
Lab school (supplies)	74.76
Ed. Commission travel exp.	20.00
Total (exclusive of salaries)	1718.38
Grand Total	2594.05
Less Income	3174.84
Income exceeds expenditures	580.79

ADDING UP THE ACTIVITIES OF ADDLEMAN

This report of scheduled activities covers the period from September 15 to October 15. We visited the Cedar Hills Church on Sunday morning, September 18, and enjoyed a good sermon by Elmer Boyer. Returned later in the month for two other conferences concerning their building program. Spent a day in Salem attending a meeting of the Evangelism Commission of the Oregon Council of Churches.

Spent one day in a hurried trip in conferences on state work matters in Lebanon, Eugene, Corvallis and Albany. We attended the 28th anniversary service and fellowship dinner at St. Helens, preaching at the morning service and sharing in the afternoon service. Attended receptions for Robert Mulkey at Kern Park and Loma Mae Jones at Mallory Avenue in Portland.

Two days were spent in our State Board meeting at Menucha. Attended the annual meeting of the Carlton church, preaching at the morning service and installing the officers at the afternoon service. From there we went to McMinnville for a conference with the elders of the church.

Attended the Fall Assembly of the Portland Council of Churches. Attended a meeting of the Oregon Council Planning and Strategy Committee and also served on a special committee of this group. Visited one night of the Tan Ditter meeting at Portland Southeast Church. Atttended a portion of the State 90 and 9 Brotherhood Convention at McMinnville.

Shared in the 50th Aniversary celebration of the Hood River Church and was the afternoon speaker. I preached at the Valley Christian Church for the evening service. Attended an Executive Committee meeting of the State Board. Sixteen days were spent in the office catching up on old business and projecting new work for this fall. There were nine special office conferences.

Chas. H. Addleman

NEWS AND PICTURES

For Next Issue

Due at State Office Before

November 15

CAPS AND GOWNS features promotion day at the Newport Christian Church for the nursery group promoted to the Beginner's Department. Several of the "graduates" were not in the picture. Teachers shown are Mrs. Edith Reaves and Mrs. May Durham.

Halsey Church Observes Seventieth Anniversary

On Sunday, October 2, 1955, Halsey Christian Church observed seventy years continuous services since re-organization in 1885. This re-organization was the outgrowth of at least twenty years of services conducted in homes, schools and neighboring church buildings by farmer-preachers, evangelists and other pioneer New Testament Christians.

A highlight of the day was the presentation of an "Honored Minister" pin to Goldie Ruth Wells. Miss Wells is a graduate of Halsey Church, Bible School, and Christian Endeavor Society.

During the Bible School hour Goldie Wells spoke, telling the history of the Mondombe Mission Station in the Belgian Congo. She was a pioneer in establishing this prosperous work. Her address was particularly inspiring to the youth of the Bible School.

At the morning worship service previous pastors were recognized by the reading of greetings from them written for the occasion. Halsey, a preaching point for Northwest Christian College and all of the predecessor schools, was honored by the presence of Brother Elmer Patterson. He came to Halsey as a student preacher from the Eugene Divinity School in 1898. Brother Patterson extended greetings in person for other student preachers of past years. Those present besides Brother Patterson included Mrs. Mary Benton and Mrs. Lucille Carey, widow of the late Clifford Carey. Later, Lester I. Jones, pastor of First Church in Albany, joined the celebrants.

AT McMINNVILLE, L. C. (Bob, Pfeiffer was elected new state president of the Ninety and Nine Men's Brotherhood, to succeed Claude Bryant (right), who has headed the organization for the past two years.

NINETY AND NINE MEN'S BROTHERHOOD

A New Contributing Editor for the Ninety and Nine

With this issue we are happy to introduce Brother Elmer C. Walters, 6240 S. W. 120th, Beaverton, Oregon as the new contributing editor for the Ninety and Nine Men's Brotherhood. Elmer has been serving as the publicity chairman for the Northwest District and has also done a considerable amount of work for the state Ninety and Nine during the past year. The new State President, L. C. (Bob) Pfeiffer, re-appointed him to continue such service during 1955-56 and as a part of those duties to edit the Ninety and Nine items for the Oregon Christian.

We urge all district and local secretaries to forward their meeting notices and newsworthy items about men's work to Brother Walters. He will use them as space is available and is particularly anxious to have a calendar of regular district rally dates and other important dates.

Ed Dewees

Information Wanted on Radio Programs

Does your church have a regular radio program? The editor of the **Oregon Christian** would appreciate information on it, so that he can publish a radio schedule for the benefit of shut-ins. Please supply the name of the station (call letters and city) frequency in kilocycles, date of program, and time of program. Further information about the nature of the program (whether devotional service or regular church service) would be helpful.

OREGON CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

—By Edna L. Burke

Kenneth and Grace Hendricks, beloved Oregon missionaries to Tokyo, Japan, sailed from Seattle on October 10 for another term of service in their chosen field. An excerpt from a letter written on October 8 has a personal message for all of you; so I'm quoting from it: "There are so many of you to whom we feel deeply grateful for kindnesses too numerous to mention that we wish we had adequate words with which to express our gratitude. 'Thank you' seems such short and simple words but apparently the best the English language affords. We say them from the depths of hearts that are deeply appreciative; to many of you who have opened your homes to us and shared your warm hospitality; to those of you who have planned and conducted meetings where our messages were received with warmth and sympathy; to a large number of you who have expressed interest by material gifts, both to us personally and to the work we love; to each and every one of you who have made this brief and very strenuous stay in America an experience we shall always treasure. We were surprised and humbled by the many congratulations and manifestations of friendship and interest that came to us recently upon the occasion of the honors bestowed upon us by Northwest Christian College. We feel entirely unworthy of it all, but are deeply challenged to work harder than ever at the tasks God gives to us."

I might say that it was a great blessing to have visited with these fine people and listened to the message of God's love, His care for all people and the tremendous tasks that confront all of us, as Kenneth and Grace shared their experiences with us. They will be on the front lines of missionary work, but we at home but hold up their hands as they represent us in Japan.

We have reached the Mid-Point in the Long Range Program of Advance of our brotherhood. This program was given much prominence in the Area Assembly held in Spokane October 17-19. Some interesting facts were revealed with reference to C.W.F. They are as follows: the goal set for 1960 for membership is 371,472. In 1954-55 we had reached 237,529. For offerings the 1960 goal is $1,521,433.98. This past year we reached $1,385,649.47. Some organizations have already doubled their offerings but are going right on setting their goals for a 10 per cent increase, thus taking up the slack for some who will not be able to double their offerings. The School of Missions goal for 1960 is an increase over last year, which was 591. In 1949-50 we had just 182 Schools of Missions; so there has been a big increase, more than double, yes triple.

AROUND THE TEPEE are (left to right) Mrs. Arnold Goff, Mrs. Orval Hutchens, Mrs. Ray Bobbitt, Mrs. Elby Boosinger, Elby Boosinger, and Mrs. Gordon Merrill.

Forest Grove Church Holds Mission Fair

The basement of the Forest Grove Christian Church was the setting September 18 for a Missions Fair. This affair was sponsored by the Education Commission and Missions Commission. The men who built 11 booths in the basement and different classes had the responsibility of selecting a mission field to be portrayed in their particular booth. Over 200 people came to enjoy the fair.

The evening began with a survey of the booths. That was followed by a program depicting the various fields of mission endeavor. India, China, Philippines, Japan, Thailand, Jamaica, Africa, Indian Americans, Mexico, South America and World Call were represented by booths. The evening meal was composed of foods from many lands. Salmon from the Indians, rice of India, bananas of Africa, bread from Thailand, tea from Japan, coffee from South America, fruit salad from Philippines, and fruit punch from Jamaica completed the menu.

The addition of costumes from many lands lent a very colorful air to the occasion. The classes made decorations, borrowed souvenirs, created costumes, and made articles representative of the varied countries. Each booth listed missionaries in that country. Pictures of our missionaries and nationals from each country were also displayed.

The evening closed with a devotional period and offering to defray expenses and to have an extra gift for missions. The Missions Fair was undertaken as an educational feature and enlisted most of the Sunday school teachers as well as many of the pupils. General chairman was Mrs. Orval Hutchens, chairman of the Commission on Missions.

NEWS OF THE CHRISTIAN HOUSES

FRESHMAN PARTY at Corvallis Christian Church. "When you say goodbye, we say hello".

LAWRENCE PORTER
Minister to Students
CORVALLIS CHRISTIAN HOUSE

At Oregon State College there are 133 foreign students, over half of whom are not Christian. We hope many of these will go to their home with a Christian witness. A great opportunity for Christian witness before foreign students has been presented by M. A. Thomas of Travancore, India, who urged our students to attend the Student Volunteer Quadrennial Conference, to be held at Ohio University at Athens, Ohio, the last week in December. Several of our students and at least one of our faculty members want very much to attend. It is planned to have 1250 American, 1250 foreign students, and 500 faculty members at the conference. They will come back with a new vision of world missions and the need of the world for Christ.

We already know of 442 Christian church students on the campus, of whom 143 are freshmen. I pray that our Brotherhod will not let the opportunity slip to conserve and develop this great body of students. Other groups are actively going forward. The Methodist Church is building a $160,000 center for students. The Presbyterian-Congregationalists are making a fine addition to their student center. Christian House is being filled to capacity and the witness of our students is being felt on the campus in a very effective way.

SALEM CHURCH BROADCASTS

The First Christian Church of Salem broadcasts over KSLM (1460 kilocycles) from 9:30 to 9:45 every morning Monday through Saturday. This program emanates direct from the pastor's study. Wayne Green, Salem pastor, reports that this program has been in effect for 14 years almost without interruption.

GENNIE EACHUS and Seeing-Eye Dog Thunder leaving Eugene Christian House for work camp. Left to right, Vance Shepard, Indiana; Joline Hoppe, Eugene, Nancy Daniels, Eugene and Portland; Gennie and Thunder; Carl Fleshman, Myrtle Point, Dr. Victor P. Morris, Eugene.

DULCINA ELLIOTT REPORTS FROM EUGENE CHRISTIAN HOUSE

The Fall Retreat for the Eugene Christian House was held at Kitson Springs Resort on Saturday, October 22, with emphasis on content of program rather than on methods of procedure. The new study books for the Ecumenical Student Conference at Athens, Ohio, December 27-January 1, were presented by Mr. Stanley Barlow, pastor of the Eugene Westminster House. These books are being used by students of all churches as preliminary studies to the conference itself. They are "Revolution and Redemption", "Shock and Renewal", and "Encounter with Revolution".

The Ecumenical Student Conference is the quadrennial conference of the Student Volunteer Movement in a new guise, taking more account of national leadership in mission churches. American delegations are asked to bring as many students from other lands as they have delegates from the United States. Financial aid is necessary for these international students, and churches should send contributions so designated to either of our Christian Houses.

The Sunday evening Firesides after church have been sponsored by the Social Action committee, of which Doris Allen of Canby is chairman. Mrs. Victor P. Morris led a discussion on the Human Rights features of the United Nations, and the Rev. Wesley Nicholson, pastor of the Eugene Congregational church, spoke on "What the United Nations Should Mean to Christian Students". He is president of the local chapter of the United Nations.

Older students in their Tuesday evening discussion group have been studying Chad Walsh's book, "Campus Gods on Trial," with members of their own group leading. Norma Terry (Portland) is chairman of the group.

Oregon Minister on Tour

Mr. Clay J. Pomeroy, pastor of the Englewod Christian Church of Portland, left October 3 on an extended trip through Europe and the Holy Land. Mr. Pomeroy is to be gone six weeks, traveling by ocean liner to England, then on through France, Germany, Switzerland and Italy for sightseeing in places of special interest. He is to fly to Egypt, to see the great Pyramids and the Sphinx, then on to Jerusalem. It is to be his privilege to spend several days in the land where Jesus lived among men, reliving the familiar scenes along the Jordan River and the Sea of Galilee.

His itinerary calls for arrival in Jerusalem November 7. Among the places he is scheduled to visit that day are the Mount of Olives, Bethany, the Garden of Gethsemane, the Kidron Valley, the Pool of Bethesda, and the Holy Sepulcher.

On November 8 is scheduled an excursion through the Holy Land. On November 9 the itinerary calls for a drive by car to visit Mt. Zion, the site of the Last Supper, and the birthplace of John the Baptist.

After four days in Palestine, Mr. Pomeroy is to begin his return trip, which takes him through Athens, Rome, Barcelona, Madrid, and Lisbon. He is expected to return to Portland on November 19.

Milton Pearson Joins Ministerial Staff at First Church, Portland

In August Milton H. Pearson became Minister of Christian Education at First Church, Portland. He joins the ministerial staff with Myron C. Cole and James A. Warren.

Mr. Pearson is a native of Richmond, Kentucky, a graduate of Transylvania University, and College of the Bible. For three years he was Director of Youth Work at the Douglass Boulevard Church in Louisville, Ky., and comes with a welcome background. He will administrate the total program of Christian education in the local church and will advise youth. He has already met wide acclaim among First Church people, and we predict a long and useful service in his present capacity.

James A. Warren, Associate Minister of First Church, Portland, was married on October 2 to Mary L. Meyer of Portland in a quiet ceremony in the Pastor's Study. They left immediately for a wedding trip, and for a visit with Mr. Warren's brother, a minister in Deer Lodge, Montana, and his parents in Paducah, Kentucky.

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GLENDALE: We are proud to report that our attendance has increased to the extent that we are able to organize two junior classes: the boys under Guy Armstrong and the girls under Mary La Prath. In addition to our Bible study and prayer service on Wednesday evening, we are studying Stark's **Training for Service.** Ida A. Edson, reporter. Guy Armstrong, pastor .

MT. VERNON: Our adult Bible school class had a party, October 15, starting with a potluck dinner. The ladies of the church sponsored two clean-up days at the church. Mrs. W. M. Sawyer, reporter. Douglas Priest, pastor.

SILVERTON: C.Y.F. gathered canned goods on Hallowe'en instead of treats for preparation of Thanksgiving baskets. The ladies canned 120 quarts of beans for church dinners. October 24, a salmon dinner was held for White Swan Indian Mission. I. M. Nelson, pastor.

EUGENE FIRST: Three added by baptism, 57 otherwise. We were host church for the NCC Convocation and conferring of doctoral degrees upon Kenneth and Grace Hendricks, September 28. October 2, 156 students enjoyed the church supper in our dining room. An exchange visit was made between the teachers of the nursery, kindergarten, primary and juniors with First Christian of Salem. Sunday, October 16, the nursery and kindergarten exchanged teachers, and, on October 30, the primary and junior teachers exchanged. The host teachers furnished potluck dinner and then shared experiences. Complete plans were worked out for the co-teachers and student helpers to be responsible in the absence of the regular teachers. Mrs. Ellen Stokes, reporter. Carroll C. Roberts.

PORTLAND - ST. JOHNS: The congregation has called Fred Brandenfels, junior at NCC, as the youth director. Young people had a succesful retreat at Camp Adams recently. Work on the new building is being completed as rapidly as possible. A ten-week loyalty campaign will be launched in November. James Morgan was guest missionary at a recent C.W.F. meeting. Jess Johnson, pastor.

PORTLAND - MALLORY AVENUE: Two added by baptism, 5 otherwise. Thirteen attended the Area Assembly in Spokane. On October 26, we began weekly "Church nights" with a "kick-off" dinner, explaining the program which will include a dinner, Bible study, and meetings. Observed "Church loyalty" month with a membership visitation, October 9 and 16. Marion Nilsson, minister.

WINSTON: Mr. Mosher of Church Board of Extension was here October 3, planning for a building program. The interest and spirit of the church is good. E. F. Coulter, minister. **GOSHEN:** Three added by baptism. Lowell O. Hall, minister.

YAMHILL: Robert S. Kuykendall, minister, held a revival for the Stayton church, October 23-30. Clyde Freeman, Stayton minister, will return the meeting in the spring. Senior and junior C. E. societies are now functioning.

AMITY: Had a wonderful crowd for our harvest festival. Had a $680. morning offering with no special drive or emphasis. Sent two carloads of food to Turner home. Our women have canned many gallons of applesauce and pears and peaches for Wi-Ne-Ma camp. Have bought a new Baldwin organ, which was dedicated Sunday night, October 30. We hope to excel in our missionary giving this year over last year, which was the highest on record for this church. It was over $1600. Five added by baptism, 1 otherwise. J. Alley, minister.

PENDLETON: Our church - school teachers were recognized at a Christian Education dinner, September 21. The Women's group gathered clothing for a Korean orphanage; while the Chi Rho fellowship had a candy sale to pay the cost. Our youth banquet was held October 4 with Gene Robinson as speaker. Donald Payne, minister.

McMINNVILLE: E. A. Parrish will close his ministry at McMinnville on October 31 and will begin evangelistic work November 27 with the Oregon City church and Brother Howard Hutchins. His permanent mailing address will be 104 Morton Street, Newberg. He has a full schedule until May 1, 1956.

SWEET HOME: Three added by baptism, 2 otherwise. Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Bartlett of the Standard Publishing Foundation conducted a Bible school clinic, Octobed 31 - November 4. Meyer and Alice Tan-Ditter are to hold an evangelistic rally, November 14-20. Earl F. Downing, minister.

CORVALLIS: Three added by statement, plus 28 student members. A teacher dedication service was held on September 25. We entertained the district C.W.F. workshop on October 11. Governor Paul Patterson was guest speaker for Laymen's Sunday at the morning service, with Claude Bryant, retiring state president of 90 & 9 Men, at the evening service. Five people attended the Area Assembly in Spokane. Donald Helseth, minister.

MADRAS: In spite of hunting season we had 166 in Bible School on Rally Day, October 2. On October 9, the Senior C.E. had a wiener roast in connection with their evening worship program with 20 young people attending. We have just purchased additional building property. Through a gift from one of the members a deed for another lot was secured. The parsonage will be moved upon this lot in the near future. Fred Hatchell, minister.

ST. HELENS: Two added by baptism, 3 otherwise. Ed Dewees, State 90 & 9 Executive Secretary, was with us October 2-5. In spite of very inclement weather three nights of Visitation Evangelism under his direction were carried on. We followed this with a "Week of Preaching" with Gene Robinson, minister at La Grande. Just re-roofed our church building. New building fund goal for the coming year is $12,500. Three registered for the Area Assembly in Spokane. R. L. Putnam, minister.

PORTLAND - ENGLEWOOD: Two added by baptism, 3 otherwise. While the minister, Clay J. Pomeroy, is on a tour to Europe and the Holy Land, Dr. E. R. Moon will supply the pulpit for October 23 - October 30, and November 6. Oscar Cooper will preach November 13 and Mr. Pomeroy will be back on the 20th.

HARRISBURG: Some of the missionary society women attended a district breakfast at Albany and also an exemplification of suggested missionary meeting procedure at Corvallis. The church conducted Family World Friendship classes on Sunday evenings, beginning October 16, with guest teachers from the neighboring churches. Mrs. E. W. Blehm, reporter. William Siefke, pastor.

EUGENE - NORKENZIE: Five added by statement. A birthday party is planned for November 6, with the theme 102 on 2. This will be Norkenzie's second birthday with a goal of 102 to be reached. Gordon R. Gibbs, minister. **PORTLAND - SELLWOOD:** Attendance for both Sunday school and worship is averaging forty to fifty per cent over last year. Six added by statement. Robert Clevenger, pastor.

ASTORIA: The parsonage has a new roof. Two junior choirs have been started under the direction of Georgia Wilson. The scout troop has been re-registered with Ivan Jensen as scout master and John Alloway as assistant. A. D. Kribs, minister.

OREGON CITY: Our building is making steady progress. Dedication day has been set for November 27. Evangelist Elery Parrish will conduct a series of dedicatory services starting November 27 and continuing three weeks. Howard Hutchins, pastor.

TILLAMOOK: One added by baptism, 12 otherwise. Sunday school is back to the 400 mark after a mild summer slump. The Martin Luther film was shown to a capacity audience. The Jubilee Bell Ringers concert sponsored by the C.W.F. was a big success. A full three hours of Sunday evening services is back in operation with an average of over 100 for each of the three services. Aldis Webb, minister.

NEWPORT: There were three baptisms and three added by transfer during the last two weeks. Bible school attendance for September averaged 152, 12 per cent increase over September of last year. A new class has been started for young adults under 30 meeting in the parsonage and taught by Mrs. T. M. White. Victor Utterback leads adult discussion group on Sunday evenings during that time that three C. E. groups meet, with a total attendance of about 50 each Sunday. Mrs. Charles Milbrandt is youth director assisted by Helen Smith, Joyce Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Pepper, and Ethel Utterback. Ray C. Smith, minister.

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FRANKLIN: Homecoming and rally day October 23, with A. C. Bates, early minister of the church, scheduled as speaker at a potluck dinner and fellowship for the afternoon. Missions emphasis for the quarter above regular giving is to go to "Meals for millions." Plans have been made for an evangelistic program in the spring and start of a building program. Gerald F. Sawyer, minister.

MILTON-FREEWATER: Truman Robbins, pastor, attended the ministers' symposium at Roseburg and the State Board planning meetings at Menucha. Twelve ladies attended the district C.W.F. meeting at Hermiston. The pastor and his wife, with several teachers and officers, were delegates to the national Sunday School convention at Spokane. Guy Wrinkle, vice-president of the Eastern Oregon 90 & 9, attended the state 90 and 9 convention at McMinnville. At a recent meeting of the local 90 and 9, the film, "Moral Rearmament" was shown. The official board voted to send an additional $25 per month for support of the John Day church. One of our most capable musicians, Vera Etling, has accepted the position of choir director. The pastor and his wife and others are attending the Area Asembly. Irene Warner, reporter.

ALVADORE: Five added by baptism, one otherwise. Our young people won the softball trophy. Five churches competed for the prize. One hundred sixty-three people were present at a singspiration held in our church. The film "Martin Luther" was shown. Mrs. P. J. Hill was appointed **Oregon Christian** secretary. Mrs. O. Micheals was elected superintendent of the Sunday school and Norma Chambers is the new secretary-treasurer. Mrs. P. J. Hill, reporter. Robert Lynn, pastor.

PORTLAND - SOUTHEAST: We are in the midst of a meeting with Meyer and Alice Tan-Ditter. They are with us for two weeks. Gene Chamberlain, pastor.

REDMOND: Just completed a membership loyalty campaign with an every-member visitation. Closed with a week of preaching with Paul Moore of Athena. The youth are making preparations for fall planning retreat at Skyliners Lodge. Richard Merriman, minister.

ALBANY: Four added by statement. An attendance of 348 on September 25 established a new record for rally day in the Bible school. The C.W.F. of First church entertained the women of the area at a breakfast on October 5, with Malcolm Norment of the Yakima Indian Mission as the speaker. Lester Jones, pastor.

POWELL BUTTE: On September 22 the women of the church served a barbecue dinner to 200 state assessors and their wives. On September 24, 15 members attended the God's acre at Fossil. On the 25th the minister brought the messages at the John Day church. D. L. Penhollow, pastor, attended the 90 and 9 men's convention in McMinnville, October 8. Six women attended the C.W.F. workshop in Bend on October 5. Mrs. W. R. Naff, reporter.

OAKRIDGE: Five added by statement. Plans are under way for a school of Christian Education to be conducted in November. A seven-point program has been adopted by the church for the Year of Education. One of the points of the program called for the appointment of a building committee, to study and present plans to the congregation at the 1956 annual meeting for the construction of a new building. E. C. Hawkins, minister.

PORTLAND - KERN PARK: Two added by baptism, 6 otherwise. Two Sunday schools and two morning worship services were inaugurated on October 2. A School of Christian Living was started on that date also. We were assisted by Goldie Ruth Wells in the installation of Faith McCracken as our Living Link missionary on October 16. Kenneth Johnston, minister.

NORTH BEND: Eight added by statement. This church adopted the family night project, meeting once-a-month for a potluck dinner, stressing the entire family participation. The C.E. group had a visiting campaign with the result of more than doubling the attendance. September 25 was special recognition day for the Bible school personnel, with awards for the teachers. The C.E. group visited NCC, October 21, with pastor Clyde Blakley accompanying them. A special recognition program for new members was held October 13. Mrs. Charles Dennis, reporter.

BURNS: We are pouring the cement for the walls of the basement of our new educational plant. We had the fifth - Sunday assembly meeting in our church, October 30. We celebrated the tenth anniversary of our church, Sunday, November 6, with C. F. Swander as our guest speaker. Len B. Fishback, pastor.

HILLSBORO: We changed the Bible study to Thursday evening beginning with a 6:30 dinner, followed by Bible study and various committee meetings. Three hundred per cent increase in attendance. Held a Workers' Conference with 5 Bible school leaders coming from Portland. Ray Dancer is in charge of Workers' Conference. Nine people registered for the Area Con-

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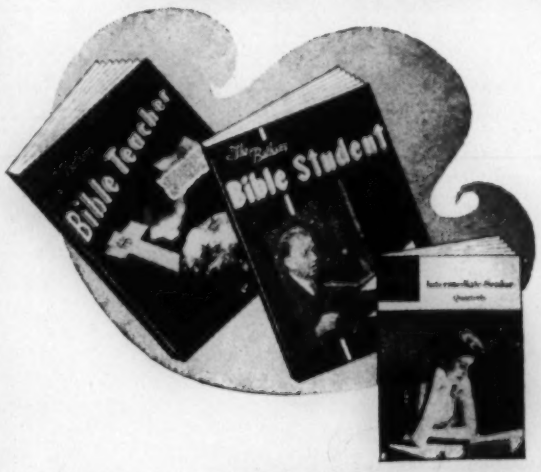

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MEET OUR GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. James M. Wells entered the Home on July 25, 1955, moving into the Warner Cottage in the Park. Their membership of recent years has been in the Amity Church of Christ, but they were first members of the Dufur church and also held membership in the churches at McMinnville and The Dalles. Brother Wells celebrates his birthday on Jan. 5 and Sister Wells celebrates hers on Oct. 15. He has served as a deacon and a Bible class teacher; she as Sisterhood president and Bible class teacher. Their many friends wish them well in their new home.

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vention at Spokane. Ivan Correll, minister.

MILL CITY: A second circle of C.W.F., to meet evenings, has been organized. A leadership training class is in progress with an average attendance of 9. A Linger-longer Fellowship hour following the evening service has contributed to a marked increase in attendance at that service. We entertained the Central Willamette Christian church convention, October 30. H. E. Jull, minister.

BAKER: Just completed a three-day missionary rally with Martin B. Clark, Osaka, Japan, as the missionary leader. We had one afternoon meeting, a potluck dinner with a panel discussion on missions and services on Sunday, October 9, to Tuesday, October 11. We plan another the last of May, 1956, with James Morgan, recruit under the Christian missionary fellowship. C. Paul Moore, Sr., of Athens, led a week's meeting beginning Sunday, October 16. Pastor Joe Jewett and his wife, the Bible school superintendent and his wife attended the national Sunday School association convention in Spokane, October 5-7.

PORTLAND - FIRST: Eight added by baptism, 6 otherwise. A **World Call** dinner under the direction of Mrs. Clayton Strain was a great success. A School of Christian Living under committee headed by Mrs. Myron C. Cole started its fourteenth year on October 12. The new educational building is about one-third of the way toward completion. Dedication will be some time in February. The congregation is participating in the United Church Canvass sponsored by the Portland Council of Churches. Earl L. Bland is the local leader. Myron C. Cole, pastor.

GRANTS PASS: First fellowship dinner of the church year was held September 21, with the Year of Education as the theme of the program. We are striving for an average church school attendance of 447 during October. Teacher recognition and dedication was held during the morning worship, October 9. Seven pre-registered for the Area Assembly. Have purchased additional property for building expansion. Started a Chi Rho Fellowship group, Sunday, September 18, with a meeting of parents and youth. There were 50 in attendance. Robert L. Neal, minister.

FLORENCE: One added by baptism, 6 otherwise. The Bible school is off to a good start for the 1955-56 year. The Bible school showed a 17 per cent growth last year. C. Wayne Osborne, minister. **MEDFORD:** Two added by baptism, 3 otherwise. E. J. Gilstrap, pastor.

PORTLAND-SOUTHWEST: Congregation was organized and held its first Bible school with 27 in attendance and 47 attending in the morning worship service on Sunday, September 18, 1955. Have leased a store building for a year, and are looking for a building site. Good attendance in prayer meeting each week with Christian church ministers in the vicinity helping. Charles Addleman met with us on Wednesday, November 2. Wayne V. Jensen and Gary Mead are supply ministers. Mrs. Ivan Scott, reporter.

JEFFERSON: Had a big day on rally day, October 2. James Whitaker of Longview, Washington, was guest speaker. One hundred thirteen were present for Sunday school. A calling program has been started on Tuesday evenings. A group of women visited the Turner Memorial home on September 27. Mrs. Virgil Bailes, reporter. Vern Gomez, pastor.

COBURG: We are in the process of a visitation campaign with Ed Eldridge. October 16 is Decision Sunday. Then we will have a week of cottage prayer meetings with Brother Frank Cunningham. Our Bible school average is 170 so far this year. Entered the "Town and Country Church Improvement Contest" put on by the Oregon Council of Churches. Joe Wagnon, minister.

DAYTON: We are beginning, October 16, eleven weeks of preparation for an evangelistic crusade to be led by Floyd Diehm. Preaching begins January 1 through January 15. Ray Heckendorn, pastor. **EUGENE - WESTSIDE:** Fifteen including student members, added by statement. Lynnton Elwell began his ministry as first full-time minister of the church, August 28. Reception and sing for NCC students was held September 25.

COQUILLE: First service in the new sanctuary was held October 2. Dedication day was November 6. Six ladies attended the C.W.F. demonstration day in Roseburg, October 7. Youth held a rally with Colleen Coleman, international C.Y.F. president, on November 6. Currently we are in a revival meeting with Mr. and Mrs. B. Ross Evans. Walter Naff, pastor.

SALEM - FIRST: Five added by baptism, 8 otherwise. A top-notch planning session for all members of church functional committees and members of the official board was held on a recent Sunday afternoon and evening. A fine delegation of members of this church attended the Area Assembly at Spokane, October 17-19. Wayne Greene, pastor.

LEBANON: Three added by baptism, 5 otherwise. The fall program includes a School of Christian Living in cooperation with Albany and Corvallis. Emphasis will be placed on the "Close the Switch" program. Two hundred seventy attended the first family-night meeting of the fall with Marshall Dana as speaker. L. O. White, pastor.

MONMOUTH: Five added by statement. We have called Charles Emerson, sophomore at NCC, as associate minister. On October 16 teachers of the Bible school were recognized by seating each one on a throne while a member of his class expressed appreciation and presented a gift from the class. Richard Owen, minister.

PORTLAND - PARKROSE: One added by baptism, 8 otherwise. C. F. Swander and Elmer Patterson were honored at the eleven o'clock service, October 9. A ten-week loyalty campaign began on the ninth with a mission Sunday. All checks and receipts for missions were posted on the walls. We should be in the new church unit in November. Dallas Meserve, pastor.

FOREST GROVE: Six added by baptism, one otherwise. Rally day attendance was 474. The following Sunday was our observance of Women's Day and we received a fine message from Gertrude Shoemaker. October 9 was homecoming. We served 220 people at the noon meal and had a delightful program. New officers and church workers have been recruited for the new year. Elby Boosinger, minister.

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Dear Sir:

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